

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE A.K.BASHEER

THURSDAY, THE 31ST MAY 2007 / 10TH JYAISHTA 1929

WP(C).No. 16609 of 2007(B)

PETITIONER:

**S.SREEKUMARI,
HSA (SANSKRIT),
VHSS CHATHIYARA,
THAMARAKULAM.**

BY ADV. SRI.T.A.RAJAN

RESPONDENTS:

- 1. STATE OF KERALA, REPRESENTED BY THE
SECRETARY GENERAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT,
GOVERNMENT OF KERALA, SECRETARIAT,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.**
- 2. THE DISTRICT EDUCATIONAL OFFICER,
MAVELIKKARA.**
- 3. THE MANAGER,
VHSS CHATHIYARA,
THAMARAKULAM.**

BY GOVERNMENT PLEADER SRI. A.J.VARGHESE

**THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION
ON 31/05/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE
FOLLOWING:**

A.K. BASHEER, J.

W.P.(C). NO. 16609 OF 2007

Dated this the 31st day of May, 2007

J U D G M E N T

Petitioner claims that she is the senior most High School Assistant in the school under the management of respondent No.3. She further claims that she is the most eligible candidate to be appointed as the Headmistress. But apparently, the Manager thinks otherwise.

2. Learned counsel submits that hectic steps are being taken by the appointing authority to give coveted seat to a junior teacher.

3. But, I do not propose to deal with the above and other contentions raised by the petitioner in this writ petition in view of the limited prayer made by the learned counsel for the petitioner at the Bar. He submits that petitioner will be satisfied if an appropriate direction is issued to respondent No.3 to take a decision on Ext.P1 representation submitted by her in this regard. The only request is that the Manager may be directed to take a decision on Ext.P1 before making any appointment.

4. Having heard learned counsel for the petitioner and having perused the materials on record, I do not deem it necessary to issue notice to the respondents.

5. The writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.3 to consider and pass orders on Ext.P1 strictly on its merit and in accordance with law, as expeditiously as possible, at any rate, within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this judgment. Needless to mention, the Manager shall ensure that the petitioner, apart from the other eligible candidates, are afforded sufficient opportunity to be heard before taking any decision in the matter. Petitioner shall produce a certified copy of this judgment along with a copy of the writ petition before respondent No.3 for compliance.

A.K. BASHEER, JUDGE

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OP NO.20954/00

JUDGMENT

1ST MARCH, 2007

